



PHILS PAGE



This afternoon we extend a warm welcome to Gerry Francis and his Bristol Rovers troops—the only side in the division with a 100 per cent record. What a chance for us to extend our own unbeaten run to set what I believe will be another new club record.

We equalled the previous record of 19 unbeaten League games when we drew at Huddersfield last week so this is a great opportunity in front of our own supporters to go one better.

I accept that this will be a test for us. It was disappointing, it must be said, to go across the Pennines to Huddersfield and miss out on a couple of League points but out of two away games and one at home we've taken five points, which I consider is a very solid start. It's given us a foundation on which to build with a few more victories—hopefully starting today.

The rest of the division will be looking for us to do something against Rovers this afternoon. No-one wants to see a team pull away from the rest as Wolves did last season—unless it's us of course—so everyone will be hoping we can peg them back a notch or two.

It's heartening for us to report now that we could have Mark Came back in action next week. He's worked tremendously hard to get back after his injury and it looks likely that he'll get the green light from the specialist on Tuesday. All being well I'll be able to break him in, say half a game at a time, starting in the Reserves the following night.

Mark's return will be a boost for the lad and for Bolton Wanderers. I've always talked about the value of having competition for places and I can tell you that the rest of the lads know already from sessions he has had on the astroturf that he really means business.

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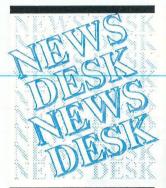


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BOOK REVIEW

A few years ago, while on holiday in the West Country, I went into a grocer's shop in Exeter. An elderly gentleman served me and, on hearing my accent, asked where I came from. Upon hearing that I came from Bolton, he replied "Used to play for them" and introduced himself as Harold Blackmore, We had a long chat and my modest new found friend recounted his days Burnden Park and his reminiscences of the 1929 FA Cup Final, when he scored one of Bolton's goals in the 2-0 win over Portsmouth. On returning home, I looked up as much as I could about a name I had only heard about.

If Simon Marland's book (*) had been published a few years earlier my quest for information would have been so much easier. I would have found that Harold scored 122 goals in his 165 appearances for the Wanderers and that the Devonian was renowned "for his shooting power with either foot".







Every Wanderers fanatic should avail himself of a copy of this superb publication as soon as possible. In the course of 416 superbly illustrated pages one will find as many facts and figures about our fine old club as could be imagined.

Every match from the earliest days is chronicled, with the results, scorers and appearances for every League and Cup game since the Wanderers became proud founder members of the Football League in 1888. Attendances are given from the 1925-26 season for League games and from much earlier Cup games. The Wanderers' pre-League games from 1879-1888 are detailed as are the earliest Lancashire and FA Cup games, and bang

up to date are full details of Bolton's record in the Freight Rover and Sherpa Van Trophy. Each season is set out clearly, with lineups for each game and a summary of appearances and scorers.

There is a brief history of the club, a history of Burnden Park, a summary of all the Bolton managers from the first, John Somerville in 1908 up to Phil Neal, an A—Z of prominent players with astutely written personal details and a career record, and a number of famous matches are recounted in detail.

The Records section gives full details of Bolton's record against other League clubs, the Wanderers' Internationals. even their record in the Central League. A full section at the back gives the full list of all the players to represent the Wanderers. Bolton supporters of all ages can look up players they have seen or players they have only heard about from their father or grandfather. The first player I looked up was by boyhood hero, Garry Jones. He scored 55 goals in 247 games and his brilliant hattrick in Bolton's 3-0

League Cup win over Manchester City in 1971 is detailed. At a glance one can look up the Bolton side on that memorable occasion: Wright, Ritson, Mowbray, Waldron, Hulme, Rimmer, Nicholson, Seddon, Jones, Greaves, Byrom. The attendance a massive 42,039.

Every Bolton fan, of all ages, will find much of interest in this definitive history. You can look up the first Wanderers game you saw, compare the great times and the lean times, examine the record of the players and recall magic memories of the pride in supporting a great football club.

Bolton Wanderers' history is rich in tradition and deserving of a book of this kind. In Simon Marland they have a historian and statistician who has produced a book of enviable quality worthy of the title. A must.

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Stevens car

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Beating Darren Mason at Snooker again!







BRISTOL ROVERS



Today we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Bristol Rovers to Burnden Park. Rovers had a fine season last time around and suffered the crushing disappointment of losing narrowly to Port Vale in the

final of the Play Offs. From November onwards Rovers were never out of the top seven and they eventually finished fifth, a fine achievement. Rovers along with Port Vale had the best away record in the division last season, gaining 36 points on their travels and must have rued their inability to earn more home wins (they drew 11 games at home).

Sides which miss out narrowly on honours sometimes start the following season poorly, but there has been no such reaction from Rovers. They have won all three League games to date with home tries over Brentford (1-0) and Notts County (3-2) and away at Mansfield (1-0). In the Little-woods Cup they lost 2-1 on aggregate to Portsmouth.

Manager Gerry Francis has kept faith with all his squad, the only changes from last season being the introduction of former Wimbledon players Peter Cawley and Ian Hazel. This season is Bristol Rovers' fourth as tenants sharing Bath City's Twerton park ground, 12 miles from Rovers' former home at Eastville. Efforts to obtain a new stadium in Bristol have resulted in a planning application for a 12,000 all seater stadium at Syston in East Bristol. The application is still the subject of approval and is linked with a major road development

to the site area which is not due to be completed until 1994.

The move to Bath has proved a successful one with progress made on and off the field. The club is fortunate to have the backing of a steadfastly loyal band of supporters and last season's average home League crowd was a respectable 5,259. With the benefit of a settled squad and the bonus of a reintroduction of a reserve side this season this could be the year Rovers return to the Second Division, which they left in 1981.

LAST SEASON

League Record Home

P46; W 9; D 11; L 3; F 34; A 21.

Away W 10; D 6; L 7; F 33; A 30; Pts 74 (5th)

Lost to Port Vale in Final of Play Offs (home: D 1-1 Away: L 0-1)

Most League Appearances Alexander 42, Holloway 44, Jones 45, Mehew 31, Martyn 46, Pennice 43, Purnell 35 + 2 subs, Reece 42, Twentyman 46, White 31 + 9, Yates 35.

Most League Goals Penrice 20, Bailey 9, Mehew 7, Purnell 7, Reece 7, Holloway 6, White 5.

THIS SEASON (to date) Scorers (League and Cup) Mehew 2, Penrice 2, Jones 1, White 1.

Manager Gerry Francis was a stylish midfield player who made 493 league appearances, 293 with his first club QPR, and won 12 caps for England. He joined Rovers initially as a player in 1985 before moving on to coach Wimbledon, returning as manager in June 1987. He had previous managerial experience at Exeter.

Goalkeeper Nigel Martyn is one of the most highly rated

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| Season | Div. | Position | Cup | Cup | Apps | Scorer | | | |
| 1984-85 | 3 | 6th | 2 | 3 | B.Williams, 46 O'Connor 46 | Randall 18 | | | |
| 1985-86 | 3 | 16th | 2 | 4 | Parkin 43 | Morgan 16 | | | |
| 1986-87 | 3 | 19th | 1 | 1 | Tanner 44 | Mehew 10 | | | |
| 1987-88 | 3 | 8th | 1 | 3 | Jones, Penrice 46 | Penrice 18 | | | |
| 1988-89 | 3 | 5th | 1 | 2 | Martyn, Twentyman 46 | Penrice 20 | | | |





'keepers outside the First Division. One of the few Cornish born players in the Football League, he joined Rovers in July 1987 from St. Blazey, and has since won 9 caps for England Under 21's. He was an everpresent last season.

Full back Ian Alexander is now in his fourth season with Rovers after a spell with Cypriot club Pezoporikos. Glasgowborn, he formerly played for Rotherham Motherwell and Morton, Defender Geoff Twentuman is well known in these parts after playing in the Northem Premier League with Southport and Chorley and later joining Preston. He moved to Bristol in 1986 and played in all 46 League games last season scoring Rovers' equaliser in their 1-1 draw at Burnden a year ago. Bristol born defender Steve Yates is a former YTS trainee. who established himself in the side last season when he was voted as the Club's Young Player of the Year. Club captain Vaughan Jones has clocked up nearly 300 League appearances in two spells with Rovers, and is a former Welsh youth and Under-21 international. He has also played for Newport and Cardiff.



David Mehew began the season well, scoring the winning goals in each of the first two League games. A consistent goalscorer, he joined Rovers four years ago from Leeds United. Bristol born mid field dynamo Ian Holloway began his career with Rovers as an apprentice and clocked up 111 appearances before moving on to Wimbledon and Brentford. He returned to his hometown club in 1987. He will partner Shrewsbury born Andy Reece who joined Rovers three years ago from Willenhall and is now approaching 100 League games.

Striker Devon White came to Rovers from Boston United having had previous League experience with Lincoln City. An all action performer, he provides a useful foil for the highly rated Bristol born Gary Penrice. Signed from Mangotsfield five seasons ago, Penrice has developed into a consistent goalscorer and has been constantly linked with transfer talk in the last couple of years. He scored 23 goals in all games last season. A recent newcomer has been Ian Willmott, who made his Rovers debut in the opening game against Brentford.

Defender Billy Clark joined Rovers two seasons ago from Bournemouth and spent the majority of last season as a permanent substitute before regaining his place for the play offs. Peter Cawley had a loan spell with Rovers two seasons ago and joined the club permanently from Wimbledon during the summer. He also played for Fulham on loan. Ian Hazel spent three months on loan from Wimbledon at the end of last season and also made a permanent move during the summer. Winger Phil Purnell is in his fourth season with Rovers after moving from local club Mangotsfield United. He passed a century of League appearances Christian season. McClean is a towering 6 ft. 5 ins, striker who made 16 appearances last season plus a further 12 as substitute. He began as an apprentice with hometown Colchester and later moved on to Clacton. Chelmsford and Zeeburgia (Belgium).



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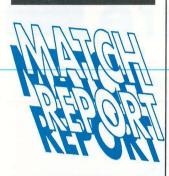
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Activity around the Second, Third and Fourth Divisions

Due to the World Cup qualifying matches in midweek all of the Barclays League Division One fixtures were cancelled.

There was however much activity around the Second, Third and Fourth Divisions.

Up the road at Ewood Park, visitors Oxford almost stole victory from Blackburn who had taken 8 points from their four opening games. It started in the 19th minute when Colin Hendry, who was being watched by Chelsea

manager Bobby Campbell, placed a back pass wide of his own keeper Terry Gennoe. After Rovers replied, Oxford again went in front and it was only a last gasp effort from Gavle that squared the issue at 2-2. West Ham retained pole position after a 1-1 draw at Hull whilst second placed Watford scored a good 3-1 victory over fancied Leicester at Vicarage Road. Newcastle 'hot shot' Mick Ouinn was at it again, this time scoring both goals in the 2-1 victory over his old club, Oldham.

DIVISION THREE SCENE

Today's visitors, Bristol Rovers, come to Burnden defending a 100% record to date having overcome Notts County last weekend 3-2. Local neighbours Bury and Wigan staged a four goal rally at Gigg Lane with honours finishing even.

Blackpool missed out at Bloomfield Road where visitors Shrewsbury sneaked their first away win of the season 1-0. Our other Lancashire rivals Preston have yet to get off the mark. Last weekend they visited Leyton Orient and after opening the scoring eventually went down 3-1.

Dean Crombie claimed is first League goal for the Wanderers at Huddersfield after 8 minutes. It was on the half hour that the Leeds Road outfit scored the equaliser in a rather bizarre fashion.

David Felgate has already explained publicly his error, and redeemed himself late in the game, being called upon to courageously thwart the Huddersfield strike force on more than one occasion.

It's a nice turn of fortune for Lincoln in the FOURTH DIVISION. Having suffered the agony of dropping into the Vauxhall Conference League two seasons ago, won their way back at the first attempt and currently lead Division Four, with a 100% record to date. Last weekend they claimed the scalps of Doncaster with a narrow 2-1 victory. Bolton's Sherpa Van Finalists, Torquay haven't been able to gain their form of last term and continue to struggle at the moment. Last weekend's 3-1 deficit at Halifax didn't do them any favours. Rochdale, who suffered a 5 goal hiding here recently at Burnden in the Littlewoods Cup must still be shell shocked, this time going down 3-0 to Wrexham at Spotland.

The World Cup mid-week scene saw England force a scoreless draw in Sweden to edge near to the Finals in 1990. News wasn't so good for the other British candidates as Scotland went down 3-1 in Yugoslavia, Northern Ireland's chances seem to be fading after suffering a 2-1 home defeat by Hungary and Wales lost by the only goal of the game in Finland.

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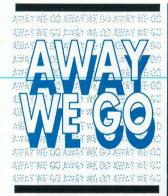
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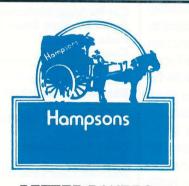
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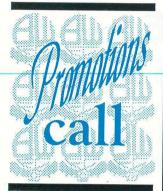


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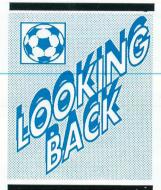
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1899: Newton Heath were the visitors to Burnden for the Wanderers first ever Second Division game on home territory. Ex Evertonian, Larry Bell was the Wanderers match winner as he hit both goals in a 2-1 victory.

1911: After the previous seasons promotion success, the Wanderers were still finding their feet in the top flight, but recorded their first away win with a resounding 5-0 thrashing of Sheffield United at Bramhall Lane. Alf Bentley and Joe Smith hit a couple of goals each and Harold Hilton was also on the scoresheet.

1931: Inside right Tommy Walters from Merthyr Town made his Bolton debut in a 5-3 home defeat of Grimsby Town. Four days earlier the Wanderers had lost 7-1 at Sheffield Wednesday but

recovered thanks to two goals each from Harold Blackmore and Ray Westwood and one from George Gibson.

1933: Manchester United

who had spent thousands of pounds on new Scottish players succumbed to the Wanderers to the tune of 5-1 at Old Trafford. Bolton were three goals to the good inside 35 minutes as they began a run of five consecutive wins that was to take them to the top of the Second Division.

1958: Arsenal ended Bolton's five match unbeaten run at the start of the season

by handing out a 6-1 defeat at Highbury and taking over the Wanderers mantle as First Division leaders. A Ray Parry penalty was Bolton's only reply but revenge was gained eight days later in the return at Burnden.

1970: A 12,000 crowd at Burnden saw a 56th minute goal from Paul Fletcher defeat Blackburn Rovers in the second round of the Football League Cup. The Wanderers were without five senior players through injury and their reward in the next round was a home tie against Leicester City.



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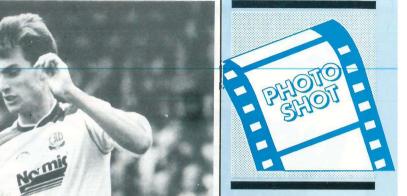
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I oday we welcome the surprise team in the Division last season. Gerry Francis' Rovers side were very unfortunate not to secure Division Two status losing out narrowly to Port Vale in the play-offs. Football being the fascinating game that it is always produces teams that the pundits have overlooked, season after season. In the four divisions last season it was Norwich, Swindon, Bristol Rovers and Crewe. Today in this column I will select a team from each division who hopefully will justify my faith and finish at least in a top six spot in their respective division.

Starting off in the top division, my outsider from the big boys is Q.P.R. with Trevor Francis at the helm and Don Howe masterminding tactics, Rangers could cause quite a few problems this season. Leicester City get my nod from the Second Division, with David Pleat, wheeling and dealing during the summer the Midlands side

could surprise promotion favourites Leeds and West Ham. The Third Division os of course very intriguing but a surprise package could well be Bristol City who did so well in last season's Littlewood Cup but who finished well behind Rovers in the League, it will be interesting to see if Joe Jordan's success as a player can be transformed off the field. as he attempts to lift the Robins up to the Second Division. Stockport County could well come good this season, with Danny Bergara as manager the Fourth Division outfit are my tip to at least secure a play-off spot.

Returning to the topic of this afternoon's game and the Whites will be going all out to secure a victory against the Pirates to make up for last season's return of just one point out of a possible six. Good luck to the lads and enjoy the game.

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| | 28 | Barnsley | A |
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Bolton reserves made their first visit to Hillsborough for over five years and returned with a point thanks to a hard working display against their more illustrious opponents.

The Wanderers, who were without last season's leading scorers Mike Jeffrey and Ian Stevens through injury and illness, played Nicky Brookman in an attacking role and gave a debut to Keiran Hughes.

Wednesday, who were relegated last term, took the lead in the 20th minute when winger Dave Bennett, crossed for Imre Varadi to send a glancing header into the roof of the net.

Four minutes later Bolton's best chance of the first half fell to Keiran Hughes who latched onto a poor back pass by Dave Wetherall, but the youngsters' shot went just wide of the target.

Dave Felgate produced some excellent saves early in the second half, denying both Darren Wood and Gary Shaw. Bolton's defence continued to soak up anything that the home side could throw at them and gradually they gained the initiative

In the 67th minute the Wanderers equalised when Keiran Hughes out manoeuvred Wednesday's central defenders to volley home past England Under 21 'keeper Kevin Pressman.

Both teams then went all out for the winner and in the process produced some exciting football. Wednesday forced a number of corners late in the game to severely test Bolton, but it was Paul Hughes who came closest to snatching a winner when he saw his effort blocked on the goal line.

Team: Felgate, Roberts, Oliver, Henshaw, Stubbs, Neal, Hughes (P), Spooner, Brookman, Hughes (K), Chandler. Subs: Fisher, Bentham.

Next Wednesday, 13th September, York City are the visitors to Burnden for a Pontins League fixture.



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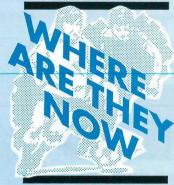
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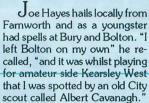


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JOE HAYES **Manchester City** 1953-65



Joe had a quick rise to fame. He said. "Due to injuries I found muself in the first team within a matter of months." Within two seasons he was turning out at Wembley in the 1955 F.A. Cup Final against Newcastle. "We lost that one but returned the following year to face Birmingham City" said Joe, "and won the Cup by three goals to one.'

Joe was hailed as one of the hero's of that Final having opened the scoring, but can he remember? "Not really", he said. "I was too young to appreciate the occasion. I had come straight from local football. I missed out completely on the Bolton Combination and all this had happened before I was 20."

At Maine Road Joe Hayes played with some great names such as Bert Trautman, Ivor Broadis, Bobby Johnstone, Roy Clarke, Don Revie and Co. He was a part of the famous Revie plan. He said, "I was probably the start of tactics coming into football. Revie would play a deep number 9 role and I was the spearhead because I could shift a bit, and we played two wingers in Paddy Fagan and "Nobby" Clarke. Shortly after we began to see the introduction of two

It was really by accident that

the Revie plan was introduced at City. Joe explained, "We had a lad in the reserves called Johnny Williamson who found himself naturally in deep positions and it worked quite well so it was decided to try that kind of formation in the first team."

In those days Joe Haves received a £20 signing on fee and started on £7 a week in the winter and £6 in the summer but as he became established in the team he was put on the same money as the others at £14 and £17 respectively. How many goals did Joe score? "I've not a clue" he replied, "but it was usually between 20 and 30 a season. It was a good life and I enjoyed it."

Joe reckons the game today is entirely different. "You have got to be fit these days, the game is a lot quicker and that's why the individual skills have disappeared but 50,000 spectators would regularly turn up to watch us. Bolton were getting 35,000 then."

Joe used to enjoy coming to Burnden even if he was in City colours. He said, "It meant a lot to me being my home town. Roy Hartle has kicked me up in the air a few times!"

Nowadays Joe Haves still lives in Bolton. He runs a Newsagents shop in Chorley Old Road along with his wife and helps the Wanderers each week commercially. He's an agent for Cashline. When he gets chance he watches local League games, back where he started. His son Gary plays for Eagley F.C.

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Photo: Paul Jones converting Bolton's penalty winner against Rovers at Burnden in October 1976.

he Wanderers have found Bristol Rovers something of a handful in recent League history with only one success in the last eight meetings between the clubs. That came in January 1985 when at a windswept Eastville. Bolton ran out 2-1 winners with goals from Tony Caldwell and a Jeff Chandler penalty. Paul Randall netted for Rovers in what was their first home defeat of the season and the Wanderers first away points!

Prior to this both clubs were well on top against each other on home territory. Rovers picked up a point from a scoreless draw on their first visit to Burnden Park in February 1972, but their next seven visits all ended in defeat, with only two goals finding their way into the Bolton net.

The first Second Division game between the clubs at Burnden in January 1975,

saw the Wanderers register a 5-1 scoreline for the biggest winning margin by either team.

Rovers recorded their first League win at Burnden on the opening day of the 1984/ 85 season with the only goal of the game coming from Archie Stephens. They have followed this up by recording one win and two draws from their last three visits, the last of which was twelve months ago.

Phil Brown gave Bolton a third minute lead with a 25 vard shot but Bristol fought back to equalise from a Geoff Twentyman header. Ten minutes from time Rovers lost captain Vaughan Jones when he was sent off for deliberate hand ball after being booked earlier for dissent.

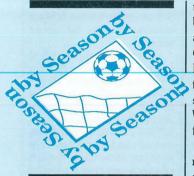
Bolton's record in the West Country against Rovers shows only two League victories and they have yet to score a goal at their 'new' home of Twerton Park, Bath. In August 1986 Trevor Morgan scored from the penalty spot to give Rovers the points in their first home League game at Bath. Last season a goal in each half from Andy Reece and Devon White proved enough for Rovers to secure the pòints.

Our overall League record against Bristol Rovers is as follows:

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Bolton were to get some indication of what was in store for them in the third season of League football when they were given three consecutive home games to kick off with.

On the 6th September the Wanderers took to the field in red and white quartered jerseys and duly defeated Notts County

4-2. Alec Barbour, who had become the Wanderers trainer, took his place at centre half due to injury problems and ended up playing fourteen games during the season.

Derby County were then defeated 3-1 but this was followed by a crushing 5-0 defeat by Everton before Bolton's best League attendance to date of 12000.

Fortunes fluctuated but home form took a turn for the worse after a 5-2 defeat by bottom club Sunderland at Pikes Lane. Harry Gardiner, transferred from Renton, made his debut in this game and this perhaps spurred on the visitors as the Wanderers had pipped them for his signature.

The Wanderers won their remaining six home League games of the season with a goal difference of 23-1! Successive games at Pikes Lane produced a 6-0 win over Accrington, an identical result against Wolves and a 7-1 win over West Bromwich. The heavy pitch certainly favoured Bolton and the defensive formation of Sutcliffe. Somerville and Jones ranked alongside the best in the country.

There was disappointment in the FA Cup when Accrington won 5-1 at Peel Park. A week earlier the sides had drawn 2-2 at the same venue in the Cup but both clubs agreed that the ground had been unfit before the kick-off. Alec Barbour was sent off in the Cup defeat for 'wilfully kicking an opponent' and when it was discovered that the umpire was former member of the Accrington club the Wanderers protested but it was dismissed by the FA

The latter stages of the season brought the Wanderers some success. On the 21st February, Everton, who were already League champions, were defeated 6-0 at Pikes Lane in the Lancashire Cup Quarter Finals. Over 12000 attended even though prices were raised to 1s. 6d. The Football Field stated that 'The Wanderers are a surprise packet one ought never







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to be amazed at anything they accomplish or for that matter fail to accomplish.' Bolton then faced Lancashire rivals Blackburn Rovers three times in the space of a month. Goals from Davenport and Turner won the Wanderers both points on their first visit to Rovers' new enclosure at Ewood Park. A fortnight later Rovers won the FA Cup, defeating Notts County in the final, at The Oval.

Rovers visited Pikes Lane in the Wanderers final League game of the season and again a 2-0 scoreline went in favour of The Trotters, both goals coming in the final four minutes, the best crowd of the season, over 14000, saw Bolton finish in fine style to take fifth position in the League.

The two sides faced each other again in the Lanca-



Team Photo from 1890

Back Row
Hargreaves, Hoyle,
Robinson, Parkinson,
Jones, Roberts, Bently
MiddleRow:
Davenport, Brogan,
Cassidy, McNee, Weir
Front Row:
Milne, Bullough

shire Cup Semi Final at Ardwick with Bolton completing a hat trick of 2-0 wins over the cup holders. To complete a fine season the Wanderers won the County Cup by defeating Darwen 3-1 in the final at Anfield.

Goal nets were used for the first time during the season in one half of a friendly at Nottingham Forest in January 1891. They were invented by an engineer named Brodie who later helped design and build the first dual carriageway in the country in his home town of Liverpool.

At the end of the season Bolton Wanderers were admitted to the Manchester Football Association, becoming the 46th member, allowing them to compete in the senior cup competition.

In June 1891 the International Association decided that a penalty kick was to be awarded if a player intentionally traps or holds a player, or handles the ball, within twelve yards from his own goalline. The penalty was to be taken at any point twelve yards from goal. It was also recommended that umpires should be abolished and replaced by linesmen.



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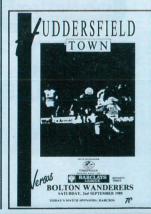
John Byrom's final league game for the Wanderers in which he scored twice.



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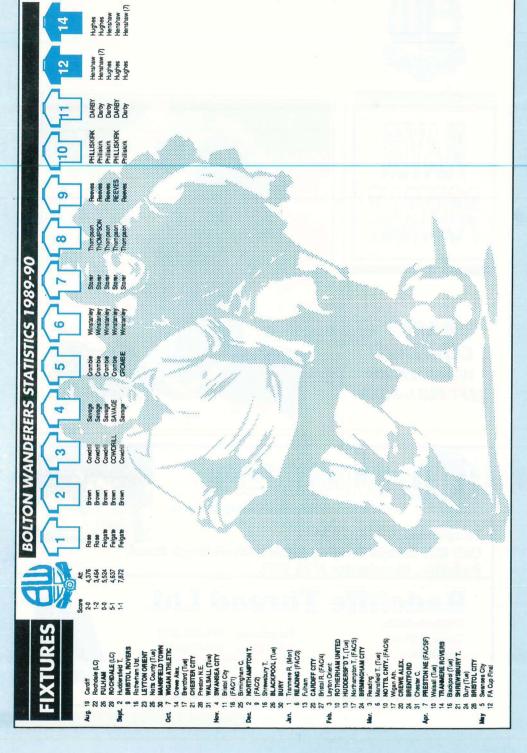
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